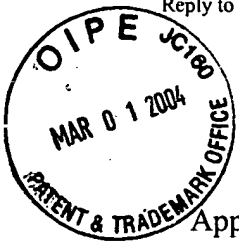


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Serial No.:	09/423,484	)	
		)	Art Unit: 2821
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		)	Docket No. P9153
For:	GAS DISCHARGE LAMP DRIVE CIRCUITRY	)	

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated 24 October 2003. A response was due 24 January 2004. A one-month extension of time is hereby requested to make this response due 24 February 2004. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed in payment of the one-month extension fee. It is believed that no other fee is presently due to maintain this application in full force and effect, but if any such fee is due, please charge this to Deposit Account No. 08-1254.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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